

# Vigor, Understanding Mark Production Of Jonson Comedy

## Cloak Captures Elizabethan Characteristics of 'Alchemist'

BY GEORGE CHANDLER, SHIRLEY HANSON AND JOYCE HERREID

In the production of Ben Jonson's "The Alchemist" which opened a three day run in Memorial chapel last night, the Lawrence college theater has been able to present anew, with vigor and a good deal of understanding, a comedy, which while Elizabethan in its setting, remains contemporary in its appeal. Jonson's play, an acrid satire of all the rogues in society, including those in the audience, has not lost

its pertinence with the passing of time. Present day audiences may find it somewhat difficult at first to adjust themselves to the dialogue, but they should have no trouble at all in recognizing and understanding the motives of the characters.

Director F. Theodore Cloak and his cast have succeeded admirably in recreating both Jonson's atmosphere and characters. John Ford Soller's set, as usual, is a piece of work, and is a witty rendition of the respectable bawdy house.

The show gets off to a rowdy start with the quarrel between Subtle and Face. Face, pungently played by Angie Greco, is the servant who, left alone in his master's house while the Plague terrorizes London, out of sheer boredom has dragged off the streets both Subtle, an itinerant Alchemist, sensitively and intelligently played from the start by Don Jones, and Dol Common, a schemingly clever prostitute, played with spirit by Carol Wright. Dol intervenes and reconciles the two in time for them to present a united front to the first of their victims, Dapper (Kelton Packard).

A foppishly-inclined lawyer's clerk seeking a charm to make him a sure-hit at gambling, Dapper has been lured in by Face in the disguise of a captain. The next, Druggier, (Art Modder) who is fawningly eager for advice as to how to build his new tobacco shop, is put out — less some of his fold — only in time for Sir Epicure Mammon (Larry Futchik) and Surly (Don Landgren) to enter.

Mammon, hot on the trail of the philosopher's stone which will turn all his belongings to gold, has already been hoodwinked by Face and the "good" Doctor Subtle, and seeks to convince Surly of the worth of his project, which is to provide the two

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# Appoint Bickle, Groff, Mink as Group Heads

## Approve Cooperative Project to Entertain High School Seniors

The student executive committee Monday night approved selections of three new committee heads. The selections were made by John Fillion, student body president.

Heading a new committee to entertain prospective Lawrence freshmen, senior students outstanding in high school activities, are Richard Bickle and Kenelm Groff. Bickle, chairman of the SEC rules committee, is past president of Delta Tau Delta. Groff is a member of Phi Delta Theta.

Appointed secretary of the Midwest conference of Liberal Arts Students was Allan Mink, Sigma Phi Epsilon delegate. Mink was a Lawrence representative at the initial organizational meeting of the conference held recently in Chicago.

The project to invite male high school seniors, outstanding in school activities, as guests of SEC on the campus was approved along with the appointments of Bickle and Groff. The committee will begin work this week by aiding the college admissions office in entertaining fellowship contest candidates.

This will be followed by the student government, playing host on two weekends to several prep seniors listed by the admissions office as prospective freshmen who have potential qualities of leadership. The weekends scheduled are April 14 and 15 and April 21 and 22.

Lawrence, as host school through the next semester for the new Midwest student conference, must serve as a clearing house for the dissemination of information and exchange of ideas on common campus problems and topics between meetings. For this reason, Mink was named to head a committee to manage the clearing-house operations, and, in this capacity, will serve as secretary of the conference.

## Billboard

**Today**  
"The Alchemist" — Memorial chapel  
**Tomorrow**  
"The Alchemist"  
All-school dance - KP hall - 3 to 5 p.m.  
LWA bridge - union 7:30 - 10 p.m.  
**Sunday**  
Recital - Peabody hall 4 p.m.  
SCA vespers  
**Monday**  
Little Symphony concert - Peabody hall 8:30 p.m.  
Air Force Film - SH 200 - 1 p.m.  
**Tuesday**  
SCA supper - Presbyterian social hall 5:30 p.m.  
Society-party at Brokaw - 5:45 p.m.  
**Thursday**  
Foreign language film - Science hall 200 - 6:30 and 8:15 p.m.

# Want Concentration Period for Activities

## The *Lawrentian*

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## New 'Observation Program' To Promote Extra-Curriculars

To encourage more freshmen to participate in extra-curricular activities, and thus to enlist more serious student support of campus organizations over a long-term period, a plan was proposed at Monday night's student executive committee meeting to promote the role on campus of the extra-curriculars.

The proposal came from a special student sub-committee which had been formed to study the problem of "too few students doing too much work" in extra-curricular activities. Members of the committee were Kermit Knudsen, Allan Mink, Arden Youngblood, Cynthia Furber and SEC President John Fillion. Monday's report was given by Knudsen, the freshman delegate to SEC.

Major innovation of the program would be an "observation period" during the first nine weeks of the school year during which freshmen would observe at close range all campus extra-

curricular activities, but would not gain membership in them.

The "observation period" would begin during the new student orientation week when all freshmen and transfer students would answer questionnaires to designate preferences for activities. This device would be designed to gain more commitments from freshmen for extra-curricular participation, although the commitments would in no way be final or binding.

Having expressed preferences, the freshmen would then spend the next nine weeks observing the groups of interest in action. They would attend meetings as guests of the organizations, and in the case of The Lawrentian and The Ariel, would work on the staffs. The role of extra-curriculars and the benefits derived from participation would be stressed during the observation period by an SEC promotional campaign through such media as The Lawrentian, dorm meetings, pledge meetings and a convocation.

At the end of the nine weeks "observation period," an activities day would be staged by SEC. Responsible leaders of the organizations would answer final questions about the activities for freshmen, and the new students would then officially sign up with any campus group they wished to join.

Knudsen stated that the program, if accepted by SEC, would go into effect next fall. A vote on whether to institute the system will be called at the next SEC meeting Monday night.

## Beringer Heads Seniors

William Beringer was elected president of the senior class and Rosalie Keller was named secretary in an election last Thursday following convocation.

Other nominees for president were Reed Forbush, Raymond Andersen and Lawrence Hastings. For secretary the other nominees were Alice K. Becker, Lenore Hooley and Beringer.

## Dance Tomorrow

An afternoon dance has been scheduled for tomorrow afternoon from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Knight's of Pythias hall. "Combo" music is to be featured, according to Ann Cox, social chairman.

## Would Allow Ample Time For Study

Concentration of extra-curricular meetings within a two hour daily period from 4 to 6 p.m. was recommended this week by a joint student-faculty-administration committee which has been studying the problem of interference in the college academic program by outside activities.

The recommendation was reported by John Fillion, student body president, at the student executive committee meeting Monday night. Fillion serves on the joint faculty-administration-student group, along with Barbara Genrich, Anita Higgins, Donald Jones and George Chandler. Miss Genrich is editor of The Ariel, Miss Higgins is managing editor of The Lawrentian, Jones is president of Sunset and Chandler is associated with SEC and Lawrence United Charities.

The restriction of meetings of extra-curricular activities within a two hour period every day was part of a five point program recommended for adoption by the school. Criticisms and suggestions will now be received from the student body by SEC delegates, and the plan will be discussed at the next meeting Monday night.

Under the proposed plan:

1. All meetings of extra-curricular activities, except fraternities and sororities, could be held on any day of the week, but only between the hours of 4 and 6 p.m., to be designated as an "activity period."
2. Lab periods and classes would begin at 1 or 1:15 p.m. and end by 4 p.m. to allow for the activity period.
3. Social activities such as dances, pledge parties, etc., would be held only on Friday and Saturday evenings. This would be designed specifically to eliminate Sunday evening as a time for social functions.
4. All dinner meetings would be scheduled to end no later than 7:30 p.m.
5. All other extra-curricular meetings or functions and all semi-academic activities (orchestra, etc.) would be cleared by the dean of administration.

According to Fillion, the new plan is designed to allow more time both for "uninterrupted study" and for free time for students and faculty members.

It was agreed by all members of the committee that Lawrence does not have too many outside activities, he said, nor does it have any organizations on campus which cannot justify their existence.

The main objection, Fillion declared, was that "there is no economic scheduling of extra-curricular meetings and events." He added, "This is not an attempt to wield an axe on some activities. Rather it is an attempt to rearrange the scheduling of activities outside the regular curriculum to give students more time for uninterrupted study and for leisure time."

"It is just a plan," he said, "and has some defects and faults. That is why we are asking the SEC to help us out. The plan, if recognized as the right approach, should be ironed out."

Activities listed by the joint committee in its recommendation for confinement within the "Activity period" would be all meetings of a student governmental nature, club meetings, club forums, boards of control meetings, publication meetings, LWA meets and WRA meetings. It is also hoped that pledge meetings of fraternities and sororities and intra-mural activities would fall under the category.

"The committee asks that the student body consider the suggested plan not, first of all, to find glaring mistakes, but to discover whether or not the plan, in general, recognizes our needs and attempts to meet them. If we find this to be our case, there will be plenty of opportunities for adjustments," Fillion concluded.

## Financial Data Being Withheld Social Committee Gave Last Report Nov. 19

That several campus activities are withholding financial information from the student executive committee was noted by SEC members Monday night when a report was delivered by Richard Luthin, student body treasurer.

Although all organizations receiving activity fee allotments from SEC have submitted quarterly financial reports, many have failed to give Luthin and SEC detailed information on itemized expenditures. The student government ordered all activities at the beginning of the school year to turn in expense slips regularly to Luthin so that SEC representatives could be informed on a week-to-week basis of activity expenses and thus be in a position to review all expenditures.

The social committee has failed to turn in detailed expense reports for over three months. The last social committee expense report to Luthin was of November 19. The chairman of the social committee is Miss Ann Cox.

## Lawrentian Pay Jobs Open Until March 15

Applications for staff positions on The Lawrentian to serve during the year beginning immediately after spring vacation are now being accepted by Editor-in-chief William Donald. Deadline for applications will be March 15.

Positions open are the editorship and business management, as well as those of managing editor, news editor, copy editor, headline editor, makeup editor, sports editor, music editor, photographer, art editor and assistant business manager.

Applications should be in written form and should state qualifications and reasons for application. All the positions are paying except those of sports editor, music editor, art editor and photographer.

## SEC Recommends Status Quo On Pay for College Journalists

"Don't change this year but reconsider some time in the future." That, in effect, was the recommendation handed down Monday night in a final report by the student committee investigating the possibilities of eliminating salary payments to staff members of The Lawrentian and The Ariel. The report was given to the student executive committee which thereupon officially dissolved the group.

The recommendation was delivered by John Fillion, student body president, who has headed the committee. The group has been delving into the question during the past four months.

Fillion noted that the decision to recommend tabling any proposed elimination of salaries was made to hinge on the results of another committee of SEC charged to formulate a plan to enlist more stu-

dent participation in extra-curricular activities. Ariel and Lawrentian staff members, who served on the salary committee, had objected to any switch to a volunteer system partly because there was no assurance of adequate student participation even under the present wage system.

In submitting the final report of the investigating committee, Fillion outlined what it had done during its existence:

- 1) "Agreed almost unanimously that the volunteer system of labor was more desirable than the wage system in terms of service in the college community;
- 2) "Agreed, therefore, that every effort should be made to establish the volunteer system;
- 3) "Sent questionnaires to approximately 200 colleges in the United

States and learned that there were some schools that operated publications with the purely volunteer system;

4) "Resolved the issues down to two questions. Would the elimination of salaries interfere with the attraction of competent people to publication work? And would staff members be as responsible in their positions under the volunteer system as under the wage system?"

The decision to recommend tabling the move was reached after the plan drafted by the committee on extra-curricular participation had presented it to the salary committee. The latter group expressed itself in favor of a testing period to check the effectiveness of a new plan to attract more students, particularly freshmen, to extra-curricular activities.



## Little Symphony to Play Works By Fominaya, Ming March 13

The Lawrence Little symphony, Kenneth Byler conducting, will appear in a concert Monday evening, March 13, at 8:30 p.m. in Peabody hall. This will be the second scheduled concert by the Little symphony this year, after which the orchestra plans to make a limited tour throughout the valley playing in high schools and for some civic groups.

The program will feature the premier performance of two works, the "Suite for Chamber Orchestra" by James Ming, and two movements of the "Symphony for Small Orchestra" by Eloy Fominaya.

The "Suite for Chamber Orchestra" was written last summer at Oakland, California, while the composer was studying with the eminent French composer Darius Milhaud. It was conceived with the Lawrence Little symphony in mind, yet designed to be within the capabilities of the average college group. The small dimensions of the orchestra exerted influence on the form and construction of the work, lending an undisputed charm and sophistication which might be im-

possible in a larger group. While this is to be the first public performance of the work, it will be heard next summer in Paris, France.

James Ming, professor of piano and composition, has received a widespread recognition as a composer and pianist, having written works in many forms and for various media. Last year he performed his Sonata for Piano on the Phi Mu Alpha all-American program.



The "Symphony for Small Orchestra" was begun last June and the portion to be heard, completed in January. This is the fourth orchestral work written by Fominaya and the first of symphonic intention. He has done little formal study in composition, having coached with Peter Mennin, and is now a student of James Ming.

The program which promises to be an interesting one containing both serious and light music, will consist of "Two Extract pieces from King Thamos," Mozart, "Symphony for Small Orchestra," Eloy Fominaya, "Lament from Dido and Aeneas," Purcell, "Arioso" and "Polonaise and Rondo," Bach, "March of the Tin Soldiers," Pierne, "Prelude," Liadow, "Preludium," Jarnefeldt, and "Suite for Chamber Orchestra," James Ming.

## Plan Yearly Song Fest For April 26 in Chapel

The annual song fest sponsored by Mace and Motar Board will be held in Lawrence Memorial chapel Wednesday night, April 26. All sorority, fraternity and independent groups may participate, as well as any other small groups. Letters were sent to all Greek organizations Monday night to find out which ones would participate.

According to the rules of the fest, groups may pick their own songs and only a piano accompaniment may be used. Price of admission is 25 cents and performers as well as spectators must buy tickets. Proceeds will be used to aid in the support of a DP student next year.

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## Pancake Party at Union on Sunday

A pancake party and a possible bridge tournament have been scheduled for Sunday morning from 9 to 10:30 a.m., according to George Bielefeld, union co-chairman. It will take place at the union.

The bridge tournament will be held only if enough people sign up, but in any case, there will be "all the pancakes you can eat and free coffee, for 25 cents," Bielefeld says. Tickets for the affair are on sale at the union now.

## Elect SAI Officers; Kassner New Prexy

Frances Kassner was elected president of Sigma Alpha Iota at a meeting last Thursday. Other officers are Alice Wanner, vice-president; Shirley Rasmussen, recording secretary; Ethel Clingman, recording secretary; Celia Koch, treasurer.

Jeannine Krantz was named sergeant-at-arms; Dorothy Eastman, editor; and Paula Anderson, chaplain.

## Show Air Force Movie

"Flight Plan for the Future," a 20 minute movie produced by the March of Time and sponsored by the United States air force as part of their recruiting program, will be shown in Science hall 200 Monday at 1 p.m.

The movie shows the latest equipment of the air force, including the B-36, the B-47, the B-45 and the latest jet planes and fighters.

## Art Center Receives Gift From French People

Lawrence college has recently received a new addition to the soon-to-be-finished Worcester art center from the government of France. It comes in the form of an oil painting, an abstraction composed of musical instrument forms entitled "Unfinished Symphony" by H. M. Bernard.

This painting is one of the many art objects sent to this country in the Mercy Train which the French made up in appreciation of the Marshall Plan. When the train arrived in this country the Wisconsin car was sent to Clifford Lord, director of the Wisconsin Historical association, for distribution. He contacted Lawrence college and they were allowed to choose what they would like as a gift.

## Byler, Duncan Play In Phi Mu Concert Wednesday at Con

The annual concert of all-American music will be presented Wednesday evening at 8:30 p.m. in Peabody hall by the Gamma Zeta chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.

This program is part of the national music fraternity's aim of increasing the musical realization of American composers. The program will feature two members of the conservatory faculty, Kenneth Byler, assistant professor of violin, and Clyde Duncan, assistant professor of theory and piano, will perform the Leo Sowerby Sonata for Violin and Piano.

Others participating will be Jack Zet, Richard Hagen, Edward Kana-ya, Jack Fitze, Don Swenson, Searl Pickett, James Danielson, John Helmer and Rox Lee.

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Mrs. Sally Geary Owen

## Tobe-Coburn Representative Here Tuesday

Mrs. Sallie Geary Owen, representing Tobe-Coburn School for Fashion Careers in New York, will visit Tuesday to consult women interested in fashion careers, Miss Wilma Schultz, dean of women, has announced.

Miss Schultz has invited Mary Grubshaw, president of LWA, Margaret Wolf, president of WRA, Audrey Lund, president of the judicial boards, Lenore Hoolley, president of Mortar Board, Barbara Genrich, head counselor at Ormsby hall, Rosalie Keller, head counselor at Peabody hall, Betty Vohl, president of the Pan Hellenic council, and Elaine Johnson, president of Russell Sage hall, to attend a luncheon at Sage in honor of Mrs. Owen Tuesday.

"I find fashion the most stimulating field open to women today," says Mrs. Owen, a native of Seattle. She studied at art school there, but found herself drawn to the merchandising field. She served as fashion show commentator for a local store and conducted her own radio program.

After a year on the faculty of Tobe-Coburn school, Mrs. Owen spent two years at Macy's on the training squad and subsequently worked into a managerial position. Recently Mrs. Owen rejoined Tobe-Coburn school as field representative.

Immediately following luncheon Tuesday Mrs. Owen will be in the Sage lounge for anyone interested in talking with her. She will be available for personal interviews from 2 to 4 p.m. that afternoon.

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## Cloak Scores Again in Satire

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rogues with various kinds of metal objects on which they are to work their alchemy.

A glimpse of Dol sets Mammon off on another trail, and he gets Face — for another consideration — to arrange an intrigue. They are followed by Ananias, an exiled Anabaptist from Amsterdam, (Ken Anderson) who wishes to secure the philosopher's stone for furthering the cause of his sect. Druggier is responsible for bringing on both the bombastic Kastril (Jack Hafner) and his young, richly-left widowed sister, Dame Pliant, (Pat Wilcox) who seeks a titled husband for her wealth. Subtle and Face, who is interchangeably the dashing captain and the drudging drone, rook all of these and try for more, and the comedy is concerned with their merchanations and with their fate when the absent master unexpectedly returns.

Director Cloak's casting was particularly well done. As Face, Angie Greco handled an extremely diffi-

Anyone desiring an interview may make an appointment with Miss Shultz.

cult part managing both the humor and the sarcasm contained in his lines. Don Jones' portrayal of Subtle was the high point of the performance. It was obvious throughout that he had a thorough understanding of his role and all its implications. His performance did much to clarify the plot and the dialogue which otherwise could very easily have been lost in the boisterous confusion.

Carol Wright cleverly depicted the shrewd, highly spirited Dol Common. Miss Wright is particularly brilliant in her "mad" scene with the over-interested Mammon.

Art Moddor, it seems to us, has achieved an acute insight into the role of Druggier. His is one of the more polished performances of the comedy. Packard, as Dapper, successfully projects the character of complete gullibility and naivete.

Futchik does Mammon with his customary dramatic finesse and polish and succeeds in making him one of the most memorable characters of the play. Don Landgren, a newcomer to the college theater, plays the truculent Surley with a vitriolic approach well suited to the part.

Ken Anderson, the exiled Anabaptist, lends his bass voice with confidence and comprehension to

the pious utterances of the devout Ananias. His sidekick, Roland Grieshaber, as Tribulation Wholesome, plays the role of the pacifistic brother in a thoroughly adequate fashion.

Jack Hafner blusters through the role of Kastril with conviction and style. Pat Wilcox, returned to the Lawrence stage, is convincingly dominated as Dame Pliant by her quarrelsome brother.

Bill Bradlee, who plays he master Lovewit, does a creditable job with an extremely difficult part.

The neighbors and officers, who include Anne Kompass, Ann Leonard, Don Haack, Don Clippinger, Dan Teas and Don Peterson handled their minor roles well and

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added much spirit to the concluding scene.

To an audience familiar with last year's production of Hamlet it is interesting to note the difference in the attitude with which Shakespeare and Jonson approach their characters. Jonson's attitude, toward people is far more biting and vicious than is Shakespeare's, which is marked by a great deal of love and understanding.

The Lawrence College Theater, Ted Cloak, John Sollers, the cast and crews deserve a good deal of respect for a fine production of a very fine play.

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## Pinnings, Parties, Cooks March On; Final Initiation Ends Active Greek List

EDITED BY R. G. STRID

As we go to press the Greeks and March march on. Next week the U.S. air force will be glad to interview anyone interested in doing his part to further the defense of our country.

In the lovelorn column this week congratulations go to Phi Delt Dick Nelson who gave his pin to Barbara Grove of the U. of Wisconsin, and ADPi Gloria Gronholm, '49 has become engaged to Bob Bryden. Word has just been received by Western Union that Phi Delt Bob (Salvador) Dawley, now at the U. of Oregon, has taken the fatal step and pinned Shirley Gay. Mr. Dawley promised us the details so they will undoubtedly be printed in installments beginning with the next issue. Also wearing a new pin is DG Priscilla Wright who received it just recently from Delt O. K. Johnson. Delt Dave Pierce pinned Northwest Gamma Phi Bobby Lu Squires last weekend.

### Delta Gamma

Rumors that the Delta Gammas were not planning to initiate until May were all dispelled Saturday afternoon when golden anchors were given to 20 pledges. Newly activated are Carol Anderson, Joan English, Mary Forney, Connie Hempe, Mary Kay, Betty Kilch, Diane Kohlhurst, Betty Mitchell, Joan Munson, Anne Reynolds, Peggy Rowe, Pat Sawyer, Judy Schaller, Nancy Schneider, Valeria Schoofs, Carolyn Schulz, Mildred Shaw, Sally Teas, Mary Wood and Pris Wright.

Saturday evening a banquet honoring the new initiates was held at the Elks club. It also commemorated the 35th anniversary of the founding of the Lawrence chapter and the national founder's day which is March 13. Many alums were present at the banquet, among them were Miss Min Smith and Miss Nancy Rosendale who presented the awards. Doris Pommerening received the sophomore cup for scholarship and Mary Schoettler was awarded the jeweled pin, which is given to the junior with the highest scholastic average.

The traditional race around the table to see which newly engaged girl could run the fastest proved Corrine Schoofs to be mighty quick and also showed Prexy Mona Jung to be pretty slow. (What we're all wondering is how she ever caught Bauer! They've been going steady for six years and are working on their seventh.)

On February 27 M. M. Bober, professor of economics, spoke to the group on the significance of the coal strike and the British elections. (And all the time I've been thinking that all that a woman cared about was getting a man. Or is this atomic age strategy? RG) Beta Theta Pi

Saturday night's party, largely due to the astute choice of new records made by Glaff and Pooler, was a success. Ray Anderson, the people's choice for senior class

president, has announced that "faculty and students aren't going to segregate together here at Lawrence." Smiling Joe Zueller, a right swell feller, continued to smile for the second straight week in the kitchen, (evidently this outfit has special places for special things. RG).

Johnny Hamar saw "Chain Lightning" 25 times last weekend and is sporting a new tear-drop shaped head. Dougherty is planning another skiing trip in the near future having all but recuperated from his last endeavor. A record high of 108 degrees F. was reached at 6 o'clock Monday morning in the east dorm. Parker's orchids are doing very well.

Herold reports promise of a bumper crop of winter wheat in the west dorm. E. L. "Curly" Guenzius has turned down the post of Packer backfield coach. In conclusion, the chapter wishes to thank

## Service Frat Reduces Emory U. Utility Costs

Atlanta, Ga.—(IP)—The efforts of Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity on the campus at Emory university to reduce utility costs may well save the university "thousands a year," according to Gilbert McLeMure, director of housing here. He was high in his praise of the work of 32 APO pledges who put up signs and posters all over the campus reminding students to "conserve heat, lights and water, and to 'turn off lights.'"

Stan Kenton for dropping in following his Green Bay concert.

### Delta Tau Delta

This organization announces the creation of a new (and possibly, in the future, highly functional) committee: the Delt Date Bureau, under the chairmanship of Bill Bickle.

We hope the Lawrentian will run Bill's picture in this column because we want every girl on cam-



Bickle

pus to know who Bill Bickle is and what he looks like. They should know this because in his capacity of Date Bureau chairman he will be charged to fix up any girl with a Delt date that wants a Delt date.

Just call 3-5637, girls, and ask for Bill Bickle. Just stop Bill Bickle on the street, girls, and he'll help you (and us, too) out.

We also hope that the other fraternities and sororities will do the same thing. Perhaps we can have an integrated, coordinated Date Bureau system. (Perhaps The Lawrentian would run pictures of your date bureau chairmen, too.)



Miss Jeanne Welty

## Feature Actress, Writer, Producer At Coming Convo

Jeanne Welty, monodramatist, will be presented at next week's convocation. Miss Welty writes, produces and acts three-act productions.

Three of her plays are "The World and Nellie Bly," "The Mystery of Theodosia Burr" and "The Invincible Miss Kemble." The first is a comedy and the other two are dramas.

She has performed in many plays and played the lead role in Max Reinhardt's California production of "The Miracle." For the past eight years she has performed across the country, with as many as 70 engagements per season.

## Medical Aptitude Tests To be Given May 13

"Students wishing to take the medical aptitude test may obtain copies of application forms at the testing bureau in Main hall 37," J. H. Griffiths, professor of psychology, said last week.

The test will be administered on Saturday, May 13, for those who plan to enter a medical school in the fall of 1950. It is a requirement for admission to any medical school belonging to the Association of American Medical colleges.

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Elizabeth Latham, Elwood Horstmann and William Gillham, stage manager for the Lawrence college production of "The Alchemist" which opened a three night run at the Memorial chapel last night, shown putting the finishing touches on the set for the production.

## Ingenious Work of Stage Crew Instrumental in Play's Success

BY RAY NELSON

When the curtain came down at the end of act three of "The Alchemist" last night, and the audience announced its thunderous approval, how many of you were applauding the several dozen unseen stars of the stage crew? Much of the success of "The Alchemist" is due to these members of the Lawrence College Theatre.

When you saw that beautiful set did you wonder how it came about or did you just assume that it was a part of the play and think nothing more about it? Ben Jonson wrote the lines, but he had nothing to do with the set. It is the work of the technical director, John Sollers. Sollers designed it and William Gillham,

the stage manager, and his assistant, Beth Lathan, directed its construction.

Did you notice how it seemed as though the curtain was pulled right through the platform? That trick was accomplished by an ingenious sliding step devised by Elwood Horstmann, a member of the stage crew.

The construction work began right after Christmas vacation and most of it was done at the Park house garage. This was not an ideal place to work at this time of the year because the garage is not heated and consequently it was nearly as cold inside as it was outside. Painting of the set was directed by Lester Grube and the

beautiful tapestry was done by Ray Noren.

What would "The Alchemist" have been like without costumes and make-up? Robert Whitaker, who was in charge of costumes, went down to Chicago and personally selected the individual costumes for the play. And if you think that it is easy to apply all that grease paint and those beards, just ask Dorothy Williams and her crew!

Did you notice how every corner on the stage was perfectly illuminated? That was the result of the efforts of Charles Littlefield and his light crew. Arden Polzin, who was in charge of the

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props, was the person who dug up all those trunks, the razor and brush, the gingerbread and all the other little things which were necessary for "setting the stage."

Joan Christman, who is the assistant to F. Theodore Cloak in this production, stood ready to prompt any of the players who had a forgetful streak.

Yes, without the crew backstage "The Alchemist" would not have been nearly as much of a success.

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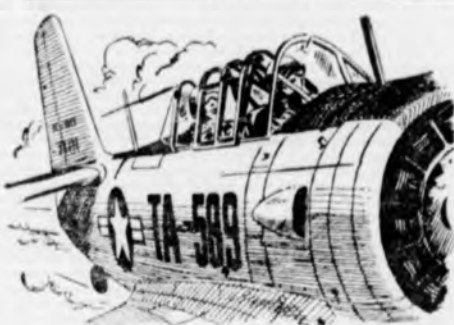
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# Vike Squad Enters Illinois Tech Relays

## Hold Meet In Chicago March 11

A five-man squad will represent Lawrence in the annual Illinois Tech track relays to be held at the University of Chicago field house March 11.

Competing for the Vikings will be



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thier running the 440, Elsberry the half-mile, Don Helgeson the three-

quarter mile run and Sievert the mile.

Seven hundred twenty six athletes representing 11 universities, 39 colleges and 10 high schools will compete in the relays.

Purdue, last year's champion in the university division, will be hard pressed by Illinois, Kansas State, Notre Dame and Michigan.

Michigan Normal, paced by the brilliant Garion Campbell and three other winners of individual events last year, will be seeking their seventh title in the college division. They have won the last three years and six times in the last seven.

Among the outstanding individuals entered are: Charles Fonville, Michigan shot putter and former world's record holder; Bill Fleming, Notre Dame hurdler; Don McEwen, Michigan distance star and Don Laz, Illinois pole vaulter.

Teams entered in the university division are: Drake, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas State, Marquette, Michigan, Missouri, Northwestern, Notre Dame, Purdue and Wisconsin.

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## 24 Get Numerals For Winter Sports

Major awards go to 24 men who participated in varsity basketball, swimming and wrestling during the past season. Freshman numerals were awarded to 22 men who engaged in frosh basketball and wrestling.

Basketball letterwinners are Don Boya, John Fried, Harlan Hunger, Tom McKenzie, Dick Nelson, Jack Pribnow, Doug Robertson, Claude Radtke, Karl Tippet, Phil Haas, Dick Swenson and Mel Storm.

Freshmen who won numerals in basketball are Jack Anderson, Bruce Bigford, Dick Bledsoe, Bill Cerny, Con Defferding, Don Dorst, Jim Gordon, Bob Haumersen, Ralph High, Dick Krueger, Lawrence Larsen, Ron Meyers, Lee Morrow, Dick Olson, Howard Thiel, Sid Ward and Chuck Wilson.

Those receiving swimming awards are George Colman, Bill Ferguson, Bud Inglis, Don Koskinen, Len Newendorp and John Watson.

Wrestling letters go to Don Brown, Pat Curtin, Reed Forbush, Ken Lutz, Merlin Schultz, and James Webers.

Freshmen winning numerals in wrestling are John Anderson, Ken Bauske, Callen Bove, Roger Taylor and John Walker.

to take scoring laurels for both sides.

In the other game played last week, Sigma Phi Epsilon moved into a fourth place tie with Phi Kappa Tau by beating the Phi Taus 33-25. John Shier was high man for the Sig Eps with 15 points and Paul Rosenheimer paced the Phi Taus with 10.

Honz, although scoring only 12 points, widened his lead in individual scoring on Delt Earl Glosser, who was held to eight points by the Phi Deltas. Green's 20-point spurge still placed him in third place.

The ten leading scorers follow:

	PG	FT	TP
Honz, Indies	43	18	104
Glosser, Deltas	32	19	83
P. Green, Deltas	31	16	78
Boya, Indies	24	6	54
Meyer, Phi Taus	19	13	51
Wilson, Betas	19	10	48
McCluskey, Phi Deltas	18	11	47
Bargquist, Deltas	18	6	41
Rosenheimer, Phi Taus	14	15	43
Exner, Phi Deltas	12	8	42

## Ripon's Victory Places Vikings In Place Seven

### 34 Point Record Set By Weiske; Radtke Top Scorer for Vikes

By Ken Meyer

Ripon's cagers whopped Lawrence 84-62 at Ripon, March 2 in a rough game, the last of the season for both teams. The Vikings ended in seventh place in the Midwest conference with a 3-7 record. They had a winning record of 10-9 for the season, however, with 9-2 at home and 1-7 on the road.

The Redmen were out to avenge their two previous losses to the Vikes, and shot a good 36 per cent to lead 42-23 at the half. But Lawrence came to within six points at 48-42, and it wasn't until the final eight minutes that Ripon pulled away decisively.

Center Doc Weiske, after being held down in the other two games, broke loose with 34 points for a new gym record. He is the top Ripon scorer of all time with 1188 points in four years, averaging 15.8 per game. Forward Elmer Duerst added 21 for the Redmen against Lawrence. For the Vikes, Claude Radtke had 12, Don Boya 11, Fuzzy Hunger 10, and Karl Tippet and Doug Robertson 9 each.

Radtke led the team in scoring for the season with an average of 12.9 points per game. He also leads in conference games with a 12.5 average. Second in both is Boya with 11.6 and 12.1 averages. The team averaged 60 to 59.7 for their opponents. In conference games they trailed, 652-581.

Following are the final records of the season:

#### CONFERENCE GAMES

	GP	FG	FT	PF	TP
Radtke	10	36	53	37	125
Boya	10	46	29	40	121
Hunger	10	35	34	34	104
Pribnow	9	23	11	19	57
Robertson	9	14	18	32	46
McKenzie	10	15	11	32	41
Tippet	10	15	8	14	38
Fried	8	9	2	9	20
Anderson	4	5	6	12	16
Nelson	7	3	1	9	7
Haas	4	0	6	4	6
Swenson	3	0	0	2	0
Storm	3	0	0	0	0
Team total	10	201	179	244	581
ALL GAMES					
Radtke	19	83	79	69	245
Boya	19	85	51	71	221
Hunger	19	56	58	53	170
Pribnow	18	47	26	46	120
Robertson	18	34	32	54	100
McKenzie	19	31	13	56	80
Tippet	17	22	16	28	60
Anderson	12	18	17	36	53
Fried	14	13	8	18	34
Nelson	14	12	4	19	28
Haas	9	4	9	7	17
Swenson	7	3	2	8	8
Watson	2	1	0	1	2
Storm	6	0	1	1	1
Smith	1	0	1	1	1
Team total	19	409	322	473	1140

## Beloit Swimmers Cop Championship

The Beloit college swimming team clinched the Midwest conference swimming championship last Saturday when the Bucs won the final event, the 400-yard relay, and nipped host Carleton by a score of 55-46. Grinnell followed with 30 points, just edging the Vikes who mustered 29. Knox was next in line with nine markers, then Monmouth with seven points. Cornell did not score.

Three new meet records were established as the Carleton 300-yard medley team finished in 3:10.6. Stu Eggert of Beloit swam the 200-yard free style in 2:21.8 and Corny Sippel Carleton 220-yard breast stroker, shaved the record to 2:35.2.

Outstanding for the Lawrence natators were George Coleman who took a second place in the 440-yard free style behind Naylor of Carleton and a fourth in the 220-yard free style; Bill Ferguson, who copped second place honors in the 150-yard backstroke; and John Watson who came in third in the 60-yard free style. The Vikes took runner-up honors in both relay events. The 400-yard relay team was made up of Don Koskinen, Watson, Coleman and Len Newendorp, and Koskinen, Ferguson and Bud Inglis comprised the 300-yard medley team.

## The Press Box

By GEORGE FREDERICK

The winter sports season ended last week leaving Lawrence in the "middle of the heap." The basketball team finished seventh out of nine, the swimming team fourth out of seven and the wrestling team fourth out of eight.

If this is not exactly the most spectacular record ever achieved by Lawrence teams during the winter months, it does have a few bright spots behind and a few ahead.

The basketball team looked good in every home game with the possible exception of the Grinnell game. In that one, our boys were never in the game. Beloit, the only other team to defeat the Vikes at home this year, got much more competition.

These men will be missed next year in particular: Don Boya, his poise and his long shot; Claude Radtke, his rebounding; Fuzzy Hunger, his unfaltering aggressiveness; Karl Tippet, the most improved player who hit his stride at midseason, played good ball from there on in.

Look for improved performances from these men next year; Jack Pribnow, waited until the last two games of the season to play his best ball; John Fried, who should win a starting berth at guard; Dick Anderson, a "natural."

Freshman prospect are better than average. Sid

Ward looks like a sure bet to re-

place Radtke. Jack Anderson will be fighting for a forward post. Chuck Wilson is a smooth ball handler, has a good shot. Dick Bledsoe, Bruce Bigford and Lee

Murrow showed potentialities. Dick Olson, sidelined with a broken arm for the last half of the season, may nail down a guard post next season with his heady ball playing and ability to score.

Swimming prospects for next year show promise. Len Newendorp in the dashes, George Colman in the distances, Bill Ferguson in the backstroke and Bud Inglis in the breaststroke provide a fine nucleus for Ade Dillon. In addition, Jack Hoag will be back to handle diving chores, and Tom Warren, a freshman, is rated a sure point-getter by his coach in any event he enters.

Coach Bernie Heselson will probably build his wrestling team around several outstanding veterans, Jim Webers, Pat Curtin, Ken Lutz, Merlin Schultz and Don Reinicke. Best prospect among the frosh is Whitey Bruce.

From the looks of things, Lawrence can do no worse next year. They will probably do better.

Notes on the conference . . . Carl "Pill" Nelson, newly appointed head football coach at Beloit, compiled an impressive record as coach at Beloit high school where he won 27, lost eight. His teams won the Big Eight titles in 1947, 1948 and finished second this past season. . . Diminutive Frank LaBarbera, Coe's high scoring forward, was leading all other small college players, at last report, in free throw percentages with 88.9 per cent on 56 out of 63 attempts. . . Grinnell, as a team, ranked third in the nation with a 68.9 per cent average on gratis shots. . . For our money, these men played the best ball on our floor of any visiting opponents: Dave Dunlop, "Gas" Saunders and Bob Bigelow, Grinnell; "Swede" Swanson, Ripon; John Beyer, Carroll; Ron Bontemps and Dave Baptist, Beloit.

## Cornell Takes Wrestling First

Cornell college's Rams turned the Midwest conference wrestling meet into a rout last Saturday as they swept all eight weight classes to pile up 65 points in winning their ninth straight crown. Lawrence finished in fourth place.

The Rams took four of their eight titles on falls. Lowell Lange, Dick Hauser, Leo Thompson and Bill Nardini all pinned their opponents in the championship matches.

Reed Forbush and Jim Webers turned in outstanding performances for the Blue and White grapplers. Ken Lutz also did well for Coach Bernie Heselson's Lawrence matmen.

Forbush advanced to the championship round before falling to former NCAA 145-pound champion Lowell Lange of the Rams. Lange pinned Forbush in the first round. Lutz took third place in the 175-pound class with a 2-1 decision over Ron Albury of Ripon in the finals of the consolation bracket.

Big Jim Webers came as close as anyone did to ending the Cornell stranglehold on championships. However the Lawrence ace heavyweight worked a little too hard for a fall and dropped a 5-3 decision to Al Partin of Cornell.

The final results:

121 POUNDS Championship — John Salisbury (Cornell) over Dave Segur (Grinnell) by decision. Consolation — Dick Bruner (Carleton) over Walt Schultz (Ripon) by default.

128 POUNDS — Championship — Dick Hauser (Cornell) pinned Warren Bruckmeier (Carleton), in 1:54. Consolation — Paul French (Beloit) over Bob Miller (Grinnell) by default.

136 POUNDS — Championship — Leo Thompson (Cornell) pinned Jack Lyford (Carleton) in 2:50. Consolation — Charles Burr (Grinnell) over Jim Duffey (Knox) by default.

145 POUNDS — Championship — Lowell Lange (Cornell) pinned Reed Forbush (Lawrence), in 2:27. Consolation — Jim Howery (Grinnell) beat Ed Compere (Beloit) 6-1.

155 POUNDS — Championship — Kent Lange (Cornell) beat Ed Waters (Beloit) 6-0. Consolation — Tom Porter (Knox) beat Ed Morand (Ripon), 2-0.

165 POUNDS — Championship — Roger Snook (Cornell) beat Barney Oakes (Grinnell) 4-0. Consolation — Norm Greene (Beloit) beat Don Moore (Coe) 3-1.

175 POUNDS — Championship — Bill Nordin (Coe) pinned Vern Schaffer (Beloit) in 4:36. Consolation — Ken Lutz (Ripon) pinned Joe Harkle (Coe) in 1:49.

## Greek Bowling Thrown Into Three-Way Tie

The interfraternity bowling race was thrown into a three-way tie as a result of last week's play. Phi Kappa Tau took two from Beta Theta Pi and Delta Tau Delta won by the same score from Sigma Phi Epsilon. Phi Delta Theta won three by forfeit from the Independents to tie the previous week's leaders.

The Delts hit the hottest streak of the campaign as they rolled a 2479 team series, high for the season, to win a pair from the Sig Eps. Tom Brenzel banged a 543 series, Dick Kline 502 and Bill Gilliam 498 to pace the Delts who hit an 843 first game and an 840 finale. Dick Helke racked up a 533 trio for the Sig Eps.

Beta Frank Sanders mixed the maples for a 513 count but it was not enough as the Betas lost two to the Phi Taus. Cal Siegrist led the winners with 479.

Brenzel's top series moved him ahead of Phi Delt Bill Carlton, who was idle, in the individual game averages. Following are the leading bowlers who have bowled in at least half of their team's games:

	G	Ave.
Brenzel, Deltas	18	160.7
Carlton, Phi Deltas	15	160.0
Sanders, Betas	18	158.1
Perake, Sig Eps	12	157.1
K. Anderson, Phi Deltas	9	157.1
Siegrist, Phi Taus	18	156.9
Vanden Haevel, Phi Taus	13	156.5
Gilliam, Deltas	18	155.7
Felker, Phi Taus	18	154.8
Glosser, Deltas	18	153.3
Helke, Sig Eps	12	153.1
Koskinen, Phi Deltas	12	150.7
Herzfeldt, Phi Taus	18	150.3

(Lawrence) beat Ron Albury (Ripon) 2-1.

HEAVYWEIGHT — Championship — Al Partin (Cornell) beat Jim Webers (Lawrence) 5-3. Consolation — Bob Lieber (Ripon) pinned Joe Harkle (Coe) in 1:49.



## Air Officers To Interview For Training

An air force officer team will arrive here Monday to interview college men and women interested in careers as officers in the United States air force. They will be on campus Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

"The visit is part of a nationwide program being conducted by the air force to build up an officer



corps composed in large part of college graduates," said Major R. E. Monroe, who was here last week to make advance arrangements.

Students will have an opportunity to learn the various officer training programs, the requirements and the processing procedure. Those qualified may submit applications and be examined by the air force officer team so that they can begin training as soon as they finish college.

Three types of training are being offered, and will be explained in Main hall by members of the team. The programs are aviation cadet, Pilot training, aviation cadet navigator training and air force officer candidate school.

To be eligible, men and women must be between the ages of 20½ and 26½ years, either married or single, citizens, must have completed two years of college, must be in good physical condition and meet high moral and personal qualifications, Major Monroe stated.

## Modern Alchemists Find Gold; Ben Jonson Had Right Idea

Changing metal into gold — the plot of "The Alchemist" which opened in the Lawrence chapel last night — is not as old fashioned as it seems.

Three atomic scientists changed mercury into gold two years ago in the course of a random experiment, but they thought so little of their discovery that it didn't reach public notice until last November.

The brilliant young physicists, Drs. G. Inghram, David C. Hess, Jr., and Richard J. Hayden, were working in the spectroscopy and crystal division of the Argonne National Laboratories of Atomic Energy near Chicago. They were experimenting with a very weak mercury isotope with an atomic weight of 196, which

has a tremendous capacity to absorb neutrons.

The sample of mercury 196 was sent to an atomic pile in Hanford, Washington, for two weeks of bombardment with neutrons. When it came back, five per cent of the sample had turned to gold — and the other 95 per cent had been changed to another kind of mercury.

The gold was checked by chemists. It was really gold — the first successful attempt in centuries of alchemy.

Early ideas of the properties of the elements crop up throughout the script of "The Alchemist" which was written by Ben Jonson, a contemporary of Shakespeare's. Even at that early date, the script indicates that mercury was thought

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## Read Greek Poems For Eta Sigma Phi

Eta Sigma Phi will meet next Tuesday in Main hall 18 at 7 p.m. Program chairman George Diamandopoulos has announced that George Chandler is going to read a few ancient Greek poems as they are typically read by Americans.

to be the most logical substance to change into gold.

Gold seeking is not the only enterprise which occupies the attentions of the alchemist in the comedy. He also pretends to occult powers, and sets himself up as an astrologer, physician, phrenologist, palmist, philosopher and sage.

The plot is made up of the eager creatures who beat a path to the alchemist's door — all attempting to get something for nothing.

## Alpha Chi's First In Dance Festival

Alpha Chi Omega won first place in WRA's annual intersorority folk dance festival held a week ago Wednesday in the campus gymnasium, Arden Youngblood announces. Members of the sorority did a Hungarian dance.

Kappa Delta, with an Estonian dance, and Pi Beta Phi, with a Norwegian dance, tied for second place. Honorable mention was given to Kappa Alpha Theta for their performance of a Russian dance.

After the sorority dances, a modern dance composed by members of the Modern Dance club was given. Over 500 people witnessed the festival.

Intersorority basketball begins today, WRA president Margaret Wolf announced this week. Points for first, second and third places are added to the sorority's points towards the sports award given at the end of the year.

## Hold Contest For Fellowship This Weekend

The sixth annual Lawrence college prize fellowship contest brings almost half-a-hundred high school seniors who rank in the top 10 per cent of their graduating classes to the campus this weekend. The contest offers as prizes four \$410 full tuition scholarships, which may be renewed if the winners are able to keep an honor rating here at Lawrence.

All these contestants will have been recommended by their high school principal or advisor. Tests on general cultural achievement and college aptitudes will be given the seniors from 10 to 12 a.m. and from 1 until 2 tomorrow afternoon. From two to three interviews are scheduled at the library by representatives of the faculty.

Boys taking part in the contest will stay at Brokaw, while the girls will be housed at Sage. Hosts and hostesses will be provided by Mace and Mortar Board.



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## MORE SURVEY

BY GLASNER

Well, I got into the habit last week, so I decided to survey a few more things. I got clear over to the sports-music section this time, which limits the field a little more than the whole cause of extra-curricularism. I read something in The Lawrentian a couple of weeks ago (yes, I read more than this column) about the pep band and its enthusiasm (which was the equivalent of attendance in the particular article of which I speak). After plowing through some mountainous statistics and numbers, I have some appalling news for all of us.

Let's go over the figures again, and perhaps you can help me find the mistake I must have made (I hope it's a mistake, mainly because if it isn't — what a mess things are going to be around here someday). Looking over the classes (1950, 1951, 1952, 1953 — those are the years in which people in the respective classes graduate — that's the way they break down the enrolment — I think), one can determine that there are 122 men and women in the conservatory of music. This breaks down further into 45 men and 77 women. Keep these figures in mind, I'm going to ask questions later!

Now, out of these 122, there are 37 people who play instruments (the rest are vocal majors, etc.). Of these 37, there are 2 people who have attended two games or more — these people are the members of the pep band. Competing for the attention and the time of these 22 people are the orchestra, the choir, the army band, dance bands drawing on those who can play the arrangements and/or want to work, and the spectator over us all, probation. There are eight people (of the 22, remember) in the orchestra, two in the choir, five doing dance band work, six in the army band, and eight on probation. This adds up to 29 people. Hmmm.

This cannot be right, because if these things go on on the same night that the pep band is needed, we would be minus 7 musicians. Hmmm. Oh yes, there are six married men in the pep band (and six babies belonging to the married men, except that each married man doesn't have one baby — unequal distribution, you see) which tends to make it difficult for these men to get to every game. There are three pinned members in the pep band, and this is a problem at times — choosing between the pep band and pin-mate, that is.

And not all the people who can play instruments, and have the pressure on to come out to the games as members of the pep band, are as ATHLETICALLY minded as the rest of us. There is a considerable strain on the instruments too — that dust and cold is not too shrewd for the brass and stuff — another reason for non-attendance and poor representation. But, think for a minute of the figures I gave you before on the people available, then talk of poor representation.

Now, adding on the marriages and pinnings, we have a minus total of 16. This leads to a slight problem which has been bothering me all week — what are we going to do when this deficit of spending (of musicians) catches up with us?

The average roll call at basketball games ranges from 12 to 14 (this is the pep band I'm talking about, not the student attendance), and it is slightly higher at football games, due to the fresh air or something. I suppose.

The requirement for an award for the members of the pep band is the attendance of  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the games. Of the 22 members of the pep band, 19 have qualified for this award to date (I got all this dope around the first of the month). Look, I'm no psychologist, nor am I a statistician, but there are a few things here that confuse me to an almost unbearable degree.

There are 22 people in the pep band. There are other activities to which the members of the pep band devote their time, and which at times compete with the pep band. The number of people in these other activities (I forgot to mention that all but two of the people in the pep band are in the college band, so that adds 20 more) adds up to the grand total of 58. Do you realize that this leaves us with MINUS 36 MUSICIANS? Gracious!

Will someone please check my arithmetic before I really get confused? It must be a simple mistake, but I just don't know... (minus 36 — where will all this end?)

Say, does anybody know a good trumpet man, or trombone man, or what have you in musicians this year who would like to come to Lawrence — con or college? Maybe we need another thing like the L club for musicians of pep band caliber and stamina — I do hope something is done in a hurry — this minus business could prey on a person's mind, you know.



BY BRADLEE

The lost and found department of the New London police department is in a tizzle these days and I can't say that I blame them. All was going along nicely, thank you, until one August Marzink, proprietor of the Elm Tree Shoe-shop, dropped by two weeks ago and deposited a left arm for safe-keeping.

According to the Appleton Post-Crescent the arm is mechanical (which no doubt lent some relief to the parties concerned) and was found under the Marzink front porch. "It is full length," according to the report, "and bends at the elbow." (Probably altogether too well.) "The fingers are worked by means of a long wire," and, if my source of information is correct, it may be claimed upon proper identification.

As much as I appreciate the apprehensiveness of the police department in the face of this newcomer (for you never can tell when the thing may take to throwing inkwells, or tweaking the desk sergeant's nose) I'm afraid my real sympathy lies with the shoeman. Finding a left arm under one's front porch is nothing to be taken lightly.

Admittedly some strange and wonderful things have appeared under mine from time to time; still I'm sure a left arm, mechanical or otherwise, would unnerve me completely. I should probably pretend I didn't see it at all, and live in fear of one of the neighbors remarking about it, until I cracked under the strain; or, worse still, had it put to me point blank:

"What is that arm doing under your porch?", at which point I would, with God given strength, try and shift the accusation toward their drinking habits, or try and bluff with, "Oh, that old thing, something left over from Halloween no doubt."

Since most of my neighbors are fond of the Old Holyhock, chances are that it would remain there for several weeks before anyone chose to acknowledge it; but, even so, the thing has to be taken into account sooner or later... suppose it should take to waving to passers-by, or catching stray rubber balls, things like that aren't so easily passed off.

If nothing else the lack of sleep incited by the knowledge that I had a stray arm under my front porch would drive me to a decision. Sooner or later I would find myself confronting me in the mirror and groggily asserting,

"Bradlee, old man, you have an arm under your porch, and it's high time you did something about it."

"What would you suggest?" I would counter wearily.

"I really couldn't tell you," I would hedge, "but we can't go on like this, Lord knows what devilry it's up to... Have you tried the Housekeeper's Manual?"

"You needn't get surly about it," I would retort knowing full well that the jig was up. "I'm doing the best I know how."

At any rate I am sure Mr. Marzink displayed much more candor when it came to actual contact with the thing than I would. There are several points on which I would like to quiz him, regarding the proper disposition of stray arms. How does one go about extracting it from under the porch without engendering excess gossip?

Do you clasp its hand, in a benevolent gesture, and suddenly yank it to you? Perhaps it would be wiser to lure it out with a cool bottle of Blatz and suddenly pounce on it, although I fear this might end up in creating a scene.

In any case I'm sure that if that long wire which works the fingers should catch in a crevice I would turn to hysteria.

Once dislodged you still face the problem of conveyance. (I say YOU because I'll have nothing more to do with it... I wish I hadn't brought it up in the first place.) Does one wrap it up in plain brown paper and set off with it jauntily tucked under his left arm, remembering to be cautious about hat tipping as he whistles a popular air?

Suppose the hand creeps out in

transit; what then? One can't always dismiss a third hand dangling out behind him with customary aplomb. People would be sure to talk.

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Even should you transport it to the police station uneventfully, you still have a little explaining to do. I seriously doubt if they'd accept a stray arm without some misgivings. You're not going to just toddle up to the desk sergeant and say, "Here's an arm someone left under my front porch," and get away with it.

There's more to this stray arm business than meets the eye. Chances are that you wouldn't leave the police station without being followed ("trailed," I believe, is the gangster idiom.) Oh, would I had them a merry chase.

And, when you really stop to consider it, you can hardly blame them for being a little sensitive about it. After all why should anyone throw their left arm under YOUR porch? Perhaps the owner just left it there for temporary safekeeping until he became certain that the gentleman from the finance company had left town. Perhaps he had just misplaced it while in an inebriated condition and either hadn't missed it yet

(still being inebriated or, upon trying to bend that elbow again and finding it missing entirely, had reached a major decision.

That is, to join Alcoholics Anonymous, take up paper hanging and forget the whole ghastly affair. Then of course you can't overlook the possibility that the new hydraulic model F had arrived and he had just cast this obsolete thing away, letting the fingers fall where they might.

But why under YOUR porch? You never can be sure whether this came about through sheer accident or was a cunningly devised plot designed to start you breaking little twigs in half, or at least taking up residence in Oak Park.

—B—

I'm sure, confronted with the same circumstances as Mr. Marzink, I would have taken the lesser way out and in the still of the night secreted the thing in a fitting burial place. This is just a matter of conjecture, however, so don't go leaving your left arms under my front porch... I'll have no part of them.

If you must leave them kicking around take them to Marzink's front porch, he's had experience at this sort of thing. As for me I'm going to wash my hands of the whole aff... Good God!

## Inconsistencies

The counselors for the women's dormitories are selected by the dean of women on the basis of recommendations by retiring senior counselors. The senior women counselors, in fact, meet as a group with the dean of women and screen all applicants for the counseling positions, although the final decision is made by the dean of women.

The selection of counselors for the men's dormitories is made entirely by the dean of men.

Men counselors receive a monetary compensation of \$95 per school year for their services. The women counselors receive no compensation.

Why the inconsistencies? Perhaps a change or changes are in order.

## Sanity

The new proposal by the joint student-faculty-administration committee to concentrate and restrict the scheduling of extra-curricular meetings and activities comes as a welcome boon to the wilted, over-loaded student. It is probably the sanest and most realistic approach to one of our greatest campus problems. The most significant feature of the new plan is its sensible aims.

We maintain that no student should spend over 10 hours per week at such meetings or extra-curricular activities as are categorized under the new "4 to 6" proposal. Certainly the establishment of a daily two hour "activity period" would give both students and faculty members the uninterrupted study and the leisure time that they are seeking.

It appears to be a great idea.

## Letter to the Editor

### Confab Heads Answer Gripes

To the editor:

In answer to those who claim that some careers conference speakers did not adequately cover their fields, we remind them that the discussion periods were lengthened 25 minutes to permit the students to ask questions and that open houses were held so that they could talk individually with the speakers. Not many took advantage of the latter opportunity and apparently not all took full advantage of the first.

The only valid criticism would be that some speakers may not have been able to satisfy all the demands of their listeners.

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## TILT

BY BRADLEE

In an Indian reservation somewhere in Wisconsin is a 20 year old brave named Harry Bearhawk, an Oneida, who won't be a student at Lawrence college in the fall. As Indian reservations aren't scheduled to close March 15, 1950, Bearhawk will be among many many hundreds of thousands of redmen who still have no place to go....

Bearhawk is one of those victims of war whose life can never fully escape the effects of war, barring unforeseen events which could still arise, he may discover a decidedly different balance in the scales of social justice... if the LUC should send him to Estonia that is... The primary value is, of course, the opportunity to be of vital service to a distressed NEIGHBOR.

Certainly few people in the world, if any, are a more deserving social obligation than these displaced persons who are at present so grossly misplaced and so shorn of all opportunities to pursue happiness....

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